



BBC RADIO 4 NEWS

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ELEMENTARY: CORRECT THE MISTAKE IN EACH SENTENCE

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6. The police have sealed off a village shop in Writtle.
7. Writtle is close to the town of Chelmsford.
8. Officers are standing on the village green.
9. Residents have been allowed to enter the area.
10. Some residents reported hearing shouting earlier this morning.
11. Police and helicopters arrived at the village just before dawn.
12. The name of the suspected gunman is Philip Reeve.
13. Police are due to hold a news conference at noon.
14. They will announce 'a very significant date'.

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2. The victim had intervened in a dispute between schoolchildren. a dispute between **neighbours**
3. PC Ian Dibell was shot dead in Clacton in Sussex. Clacton in **Essex**
4. The shooting happened yesterday evening. **yesterday afternoon**
5. The BBC reporter is Sonia Watson. **Sonia Watson**
6. The police have sealed off a village shop in Writtle. part of a village **green**
7. Writtle is close to the town of Chelmsford. **the city of Chelmsford**
8. Officers are standing on the village green. **'officers are surrounding the green'**
9. Residents have been allowed to enter the area. **Residents have been turned away from the area.**
10. Some residents reported hearing shouting earlier this morning. **gunshots, not shouting**
11. Police and helicopters arrived at the village just before dawn. **They arrived 'just before 9 this morning'.**
12. The name of the suspected gunman is Philip Reeve. **Peter Reeve**
13. Police are due to hold a news conference at noon. **at 10.30**
14. They will announce 'a very significant date'. **'a very significant update'**
15. Marks & Spencer's chairman, Marc Bolland, will have to explain his company's disappointing sales figures at its Annual General Meeting later. **chief executive, not chairman**
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19. The vote will take place this afternoon. **this evening**
20. The National Criminal Court has imprisoned a Congolese warlord. **The International Criminal Court**
21. Thomas Lubanga has been sent to prison for 40 years. **for 14 years**
22. He was found guilty of using and recruiting child soldiers during the conflict in Western Congo between 2002 and 2003. **in Eastern Congo**
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2. What had the man intervened in?
3. In which English county is Clacton?
4. When did the shooting take place?
5. What have the police sealed off in Writtle, near Chelmsford?
6. What are police doing?
7. Who have been turned away from the area?
8. What did residents report hearing early this morning?
9. When did police and helicopters arrive in the village?
10. Who does suspected gunman Peter Reeve no longer pose a threat to?
11. When are the police holding a news conference?
12. What are they going to talk about? *'a very significant _____'*

13. What is Marc Bolland's position at Marks & Spencer?
14. What are disappointing?
15. What is the company holding later today?
16. Which sales rose slightly between April and June?
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18. Who are threatening to rebel against the Government and join with Labour in a vote on House of Lords reform this evening?
19. Who support the Constitutional changes?

20. How long has the Congolese warlord Thomas Lubanga been sent to prison for?
21. Which court sent him to prison?
22. Who did Thomas Lubanga use and recruit during the conflict in Eastern Congo between 2002 and 2003?
23. Who did he abduct? _____ as _____ as 11
24. What were they forced to do? to _____ and commit atrocities

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4. When did the shooting take place? **yesterday afternoon**
5. What have the police sealed off in Writtle, near Chelmsford? **part of the village green**
6. What are police doing? **They are surrounding the green.**
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8. What did residents report hearing early this morning? **gunshots**
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10. Who does suspected gunman Peter Reeve no longer pose a threat to? **the public**
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13. What is Marc Bolland's position at Marks & Spencer? **chief executive**
14. What are disappointing? **the company's sales figures**
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16. Which sales rose slightly between April and June? **food sales/sales of food**
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21. Which court sent him to prison? **the International Criminal Court**
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4. The BBC reporter is _____.
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6. Police officers are _____ the green.
7. _____ have been _____ from the area.
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9. It's believed police and helicopters _____ at the village _____ before 9am.
10. The police believe the suspected _____, Peter Reeve, is no _____ a risk to the _____.
11. Police are due to _____ a news conference at 10.30 where they'll announce 'a very _____'.

12. Marks & Spencer's _____ Marc Bolland will _____ explain his company's _____ sales figures at its _____ General Meeting later.
13. There was a slight rise in _____ of _____ in the three months from April to _____.
14. However, sales of _____ and other _____ fell by _____%.

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